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ABSTRACT

A system and method for managing a multiple server computer system on a computer

network. The system includes a central management server and one or more remote nodes

connected to the central management server. A distributed task facility assigns and monitors system

management tasks on the remote nodes. An agent running on each of the remote nodes executes

system management tasks and initiates contact with the central management server to report the

status of the agent and the remote node on which it is running.

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